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## THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CONSIDERS THE INCORPORATION OF SIDNEY AS A MUNICIPALITY

**Sidney Board of Trade Presents Its Case Before the Cabinet  
Ministers---Decision Reserved Until Return of Sir Richard  
McBride From the Federal Capital.**

### Opposition To Incorporation Based on Spurious Statement "The Majority of the Sidney Board of Trade Is Composed of Liberals."

On Friday last, March 28, a large number of Sidney people journeyed to Victoria to be present at the meeting of the Executive Council at which the case of the incorporation of the town was heard. Those present were Messrs. Buss, Clark, J. White, Hannan, B. D. White, J. Brethour, Capt. Byers, J. B. Kelly, A. L. Wilson, H. Brethour, Sears, Beckett, J. Brethour, Humber, Bowman, G. Cochran, Billings, McKillican, North, St. Barbe, Spencer, Critchley, Hewitt, Armstrong, Clark, Brennan, Turnbull, Lophthorn and Roberts.

The cabinet was represented by Messrs. Bowser, attorney-general, Ross, minister of lands, and Dr. Young, provincial secretary. Messrs. Mackenzie and Twigg appeared as counsel for the petitioners.

In opening the case for the petitioners Mr. Mackenzie alluded to the rapid and increasing growth of Sidney as a residential district and as a site for industries. He explained that before further development can take place it required sanitation, building restrictions, cattle control, disposal of garbage, street lighting, sidewalk construction and increased police protection, and further that it should be in a position to protect its future interests in connection with the B. C. Electric Railway Co. All these things are more readily accomplished by cooperation as represented by a municipality.

The place has confidence in the present government but it cannot be expected to extend all these requirements to an unorganized district. At present its affairs are largely controlled by one man, which is a most unsatisfactory condition of affairs, popular control being infinitely more desirable. The counter petition seeks to establish that the desired incorporation is a real estate scheme, whereas the movement originated with the board of trade, an entirely non-political body. The petition was also signed by all the business men of Sidney except two. Another matter alleged was the lack of a water supply, but this is now on the point of being remedied, an influential and rich company having undertaken the work. It has let contracts for a supply which calls for the delivery of water at the farthest limits of the district by 1st June next.

It stated that the people were satisfied with the present condition of affairs, except that they required more sidewalks. This is probably the reason for the present energy displayed in their construction. After the original resolution was passed by the board of trade a search at the land registry office and at the assessor's office disclosed the fact that the area proposed to be contained in the municipality contains 1203 acres, having an assessed value of \$487,000. The number of

qualified property owners being 149, of these 92 representing property valued at \$361,000 signed the petition, being a little over 75 per cent. of the whole total value, an amount more than sufficient to comply with the law.

The counter-petition was signed by 67 persons, of whom only 26 were entitled to sign, and of these two withdrew their names and six had also signed the original petition, leaving only eighteen which number did not represent ten per cent. of the assessed value, or twelve per cent. of qualified signers. Of a total of \$50,800 of assessed value represented by the signers of the counter petition \$27,550 is assessed to the instigators of the document, leaving less than five per cent. to other signers.

The government is now asked to relieve itself of the burden of administering this district and leave the responsibility to its inhabitants. It may be argued that it cannot be run without increased taxation. At present it is paying in taxes \$2,435 per annum, without including the school tax. The revenue from licenses is

probably about \$700 or \$800, making in all about \$3,500. This is all the municipality of North Saanich had to run its affairs.

On behalf of the counter-petition it was argued that the board of trade was mainly composed of members of one family and Victoria real estate men, whereas its membership consists of over forty including all the business men of Sidney. The speaker on behalf of the counter-petition also urged that there were not 132 male British subjects over the age of twenty-one in Sidney, and that if there were 132 signatures to the petition some of them must have been Chinamen or Hindoos, whereas every signer of the petition was a British subject. He also laid stress on a being a workingman and dwelt strongly on the political aspect of the case, whereas the board of trade is entirely non-political and of its forty members only about eight are Liberals. He thought that things should be left as they are at present.

Mr. Armstrong followed in opposition along the same lines, but under cross-examination he admitted that he had subdivided his property and was selling it as fast as he could. He had no objection to incorporation as long as it did not touch him.

After hearing both sides the council reserved its decision.

## JAMES ISLAND POWDER FACTORY GIVEN PERMISSION TO BUILD

**Canadian Explosives, Limited, Will Now Proceed With the  
Erection of the Buildings---New Industry a Benefit  
to the Town of Sidney.**

On Friday last, March 28, the application of the Canadian Explosives, Limited, to establish their works on James Island was also heard.

Mr. Moore, the chief chemist for the company, laid its case before the council. He pointed out that the operations of the company could in no way be a menace to the neighborhood either on the score of danger from explosion or damage from noxious fumes. The works would be constructed after the most modern methods and in accordance with the provisions of the British Explosives Act, which is much more stringent than the Canadian act, and which is about to be adopted by the Canadian government.

Opposition to the scheme was offered by Mr. Spencer, of the Experimental Farm, by Captain Neurotsos, on behalf of the C. P. R., and by Mr. Armstrong, of Sidney.

Mr. Spencer's arguments were not very clear and he failed to make any impression. Capt. Neurotsos proved to be a veritable sea lawyer, and it was shown that Mr. Armstrong was the most remote of all the inhabitants of Sidney and that as he was selling his land as fast as he could, he could scarcely be said to have any interest in the matter.

On the other hand, the petition was endorsed by the Sidney Board of Trade, who considered that the business would prove of the greatest benefit to Sidney on account of its large payroll of about \$25,000 a month, most of which would find its way into the stores and business places of the town. The council reserved its decision also in this case.

J. A. Kelly has been spending the past week putting in his flower beds and garden.

## STRANGE DISAPPEARANCES IN CITY OF VANCOUVER

**An Old Employee of Molsons Bank of  
That City Has Been Missing For  
About Two Weeks.**

John McLennan, accountant of Molsons Bank, on Hastings street, has been missing for over a week. On Saturday evening, March 22, he was out with some friends and left them at the corner of Carral and Hastings streets, saying that he would be back in a few minutes. He has not been seen since. He had been in the service of the bank for over twelve years and his accounts have been found to be in perfect order.

Since this occurrence another man has disappeared at about the same time and place, his name being Maurice Dewitt Bradley, a poolroom proprietor.

There is absolutely no clue to either of these disappearances, nor is there any known connection between the two and the police have no theory to work on.

A reward of five hundred dollars is offered for information concerning McLennan.

## ST. ANDREWS LADIES' AID GIVES AN ENTERTAINMENT

**Sale of Work Held in the Afternoon and  
a Concert in the Evening Both Being  
Very Successful.**

The Ladies Guild of St. Andrews Church had a fete day on Friday last. In the afternoon they held a sale of work and sold refreshments in Berquist's Hall and in the evening they gave a concert.

The ladies who took an active part in the afternoon were Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Findlay and Mrs. White while music was contributed by Mrs. Critchley, Miss Hannan and Mrs. Wilkinson. In the evening the concert was not so well attended as it should have been but those who were present thoroughly appreciated the efforts of the amateurs who contributed the programme, these were Mesdames Critchley and Ball and Miss Wilkinson and Miss Simister assisted by Messrs. Scarlett Dixon and Musgrave. A small orchestra composed of Miss Wilkinson (violin) Miss Hannan (piano) Mr. Scarlett (violin) and Mr. Musgrave (violinello) showed what we may expect in the future when these musicians and others get together and go in for serious practice. The day's proceedings netted over \$60 for the guild.

## VICTORIA WINS HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP OF WORLD

On Saturday evening last at the Arena in Victoria, the ice hockey championship of the world was won by the Victoria team in the final against the Quebecs. An immense crowd, estimated at upwards of four thousand people, witnessed the game, every available space in which a spectator could be located was crowded. The enthusiasm was enormous and at the conclusion of the game the mob swarmed down on the ice and a scene of joyous excitement took place that has never been equalled, at any rate, in the west. The game was a very fast one and was entirely free from rough play and those complications that call for the services of a referee.

## ALPINE CLUB OF CANADA

**Sidney the Headquarters of  
the Mountain Climbers  
Organization**

Sidney is somewhat fortunate in being the headquarters of the Canadian Alpine Club. It owes this distinction to the circumstance that it is the home of Mr. A. O. Wheeler, the director of the club, and it thus naturally becomes the abode of the club's secretary, Mr. Mitchell.

The club's membership is world wide, embracing members from Halifax to Victoria, and from Maine to California, and in Europe from Sicily to the North of Scotland. Their members have increased from seventy, when the club was first founded in March, 1906, to seven hundred at the present time. The objects of the club are very definite and in promoting them the club is adding considerably to the material welfare of Canada. While other men are developing the resources of the Dominion in timber, grain, coal and minerals the Alpine Club is developing the scenic resources of our great mountain ranges and thus providing one of the best of healthy sports while at the same time it brings in visitors from all over the world who take the opportunity of studying the various features of the great country in which they find themselves.

And not only does the club thus lend itself to the material welfare of the country, but it affords a means by which men of science such as surveyors, geologists, botanists and zoologists may pursue their studies, the results of which are of inestimable value to the whole human race.

Every year the club establishes a camp in the mountains at which its members from all over the world prosecute the the various studies and exercises for which mountains offer so suitable a field. The results of all this work are published in an annual journal, a volume which carries an account of the beauties and riches of our country all over the world, as its circulation is not confined only to members of the club, but it finds readers in all scientific associations and public libraries in every quarter of the globe.

## SIDNEY YOUNG LADY RECEIVES APPOINTMENT

**Miss Simister Will be the First Teacher  
at New Deep Cove School.**

Miss Ruth Annette Simister, of Sidney, has been appointed to the charge of Deep Cove School. Her love for the work of training the young mind, and her deep interest in the making of our country brighter, together with her talent for music and art, all combine in providing North Saanich with a further acquisition to its already amiable and proficient staff of teachers. Miss Simister's numerous friends and admirers combine in hearty congratulations upon the happy appointment.

Her training in kindergarten and juvenile work was obtained in England where the young lady was born and educated. Her Associate of Art of the University of Oxford was won by her before she attained her seventeenth year. Her musical education was entrusted to Professor Nicholl, for piano, and Madam Marie Hughes, R.A.M., for singing.



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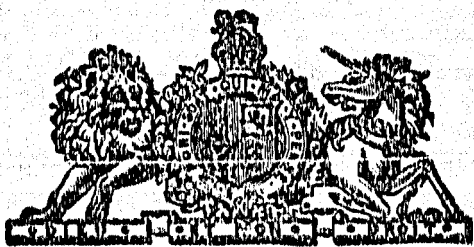
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Brown Shingle Co., Limited, of Sidney,  
B.C., occupation shingle manufactur-  
ers, intends to apply for permission  
to lease the following described fore-  
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High Water Mark on Bazan Bay and  
being S. 36°, 22' W., and at a distance  
of eleven hundred and eighty-two  
(1182) feet from the northeast corner  
of Section 9, Range 4, E.; District of  
North Saanich; thence S. 53°, 00' E.  
for a distance of three hundred and  
fifty (350) feet; thence S. 37°, 00' W.  
for a distance of five hundred (500)  
feet; thence N. 53°, 00' W. for a dis-  
tance of three hundred and fifty (350)  
feet to a post marked "S. W. Cor." at  
High Water Mark; thence N. 37°, 00'  
E., following High Water Mark for a  
distance of five hundred (500) feet,  
more or less, to point of commence-  
ment, and containing four acres, more  
or less.

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J. H. BROWN, Sec.-Treas.

Dated at Sidney, March 18, 1913.

**NOTICE**NOTICE is hereby given that meet-  
ings of the Provincial Agricultural  
Commission will be held at the follow-  
ing places:—Saanichton—April 7th, 10 a.m. and  
2.30 p.m. Agricultural Hall.Ganges Harbour—April 9th, 2.30 p.  
m.; April 10th, 10 a.m. Agricultural  
Hall.The Commission will hear evidence  
on all matters affecting conditions in  
the Province. All persons interested  
are invited to be present.W. H. HAYWARD, M.L.A.,  
ChairmanC. B. CHRISTENSEN,  
Secretary.**THE MOUNTAINS ARE VERY  
HIGH IN SWITZERLAND**

The farmer who sneered at Switzer-  
land as a mighty poor farming country  
would no doubt find his opinion match-  
ed by a Tibetan who would consider it  
an insignificant mountain country. Af-  
ter reading the account of the expedi-  
tion of the Duke of the Abruzzi to the  
Himalayas, it seems pretty plain that  
if the entire range of Alps were trans-  
planted to that part of Asia, the ex-  
plorer would pass them by with  
scarcely a look. They would be little  
more than pretty foot-hills. The  
highest peaks of the Alps are about  
three miles high, or 15,000 feet. Most  
Blanc measures 15,782, and is consid-  
ered quite a mountain thereabouts, but  
in the Himalayas we read that there are  
literally thousands above 20,000 feet in  
height, and hundreds tower much  
higher that are not even considered  
important enough for a name. The  
entire range is five hundred miles  
wide and would stretch half way from  
New York to San Francisco. All these  
stupendous facts are set forth in the  
volume entitled "Karakoram and  
Western Himalaya," by Filippo de  
Filippi, F. R. G. S. (Dutton), devoted  
to an account of the Duke's expedition  
of 1909, when he broke all previous re-  
cords of mountaineering and climbed  
24,600 feet toward the stars. Even  
then he was a long way from the sum-  
mit of this mighty chain. The author  
tells us that there are no fewer than  
75 peaks higher than 24,000 feet, 48  
above 25,000, 16 above 26,000, 5 above  
27,000, and 3 above 28,000, while Mt.  
Everest is over 29,000, or nearly 6  
miles. Everest is situated in the  
Nepaul range, which is protected from  
European visitors by the desire of the  
native rulers and by treaties between  
England and Russia, and no topog-  
rapher has got within 80 miles of this  
chain. The Duke of Abruzzi, therefore,  
set out to conquer the second highest  
peak, known by the simple name of K2,  
and only 750 feet lower than Mt.  
Everest. After persistent and heroic  
efforts well worthy of success, the  
Duke and his party found the peak too  
formidable and turned to the neighbor-  
ing Bride Peak, a little over 25,000 feet  
high. Their efforts to conquer this  
mountain were successful.—Literary  
Digest.

**THE SUEZ CANAL MAKES  
A BIG RECORD IN 1912**

Navigation through the Suez canal  
for the year 1912 was of record propor-  
tions, according to the report of  
Worms & Co., of Port Said. The  
figures presented in this article have  
added interest in view of the approach-  
ing opening of the Panama canal,  
which is expected to be a strong com-  
petitor of the Suez canal.

During the year 1912 a total of 5,373  
vessels having a gross tonnage of 28,-  
008,945 tons, as compared with 4,969  
vessels of 25,417,852 gross tons in 1911,  
passed through the canal. Net ton-  
nage, 1911, 18,324,794 tons; 1912, 20,-  
275,120 tons. Canal dues, 1911, 131,-  
024,000 francs; 1912, 132,912,000 francs.  
Total receipts, 1911, 134,762,000 francs;  
1912, 136,424,000 francs.

As usual, the flag of Great Britain  
was carried on over 50 per cent. of the  
vessels, the exact total is 62.88 per  
cent., and the returns show that the  
shipping of that country was repre-  
sented by 250 more vessels in 1912  
than in 1911. The gain in German  
shipping was not so large, the records  
showing that 698 vessels navigated the  
canal in 1912, whereas in 1911 667 ves-  
sels passed through. The marine of  
Austria, Denmark and Italy made good  
gains in 1912, while the demoralization  
of the Turkish mercantile marine, due  
to the war with Italy and the Balkan  
disturbance, is shown by the passage  
of only one vessel in 1912, while in 1911  
a total of 85 vessels navigated the  
canal.

**CHURCH NEWS**

ANGLICAN CHURCHES.

April 6th— 8.00 a. m. Holy Com-  
munion. St. Andrew's  
11.00 a. m.—Morning Prayer. Holy  
Trinity.  
7.30 p. m.—Evening Prayer. St. An-  
drew's.

VESTRY MEETINGS

The annual Easter vestry meeting will  
be held at St. Andrew's Church, on Wed-  
nesday, April 9th, at 8.00 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Services:—

11 a. m. Berquist's small Hall.  
3 p. m. South Saanich Church.  
7.30 p. m. North Saanich Church.  
Sunday School:—  
10.15 a. m. Berquist's small Hall  
2 p. m. South Saanich Church.  
2.30 p. m. North Saanich Church.  
Wednesday 8 p. m. Prayer meeting  
in Parsonage.  
Ladies' aid meeting 2nd Thursday  
in each month.

Jas. Hicks, Pastor.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Church of Assumption, West Saan-  
ich every Sunday. Mass—10 a. m.  
Rev. Father M. M. Ronden priest in  
charge.

Church of St. Elizabeth, Sidney,  
every first and third Sunday. Mass  
—10 a. m.

Hope Bay, Pender Island, every sec-  
ond Sunday. Mass at 10 a. m.  
St. Paul's, Fulford Harbor, Salt  
Spring Island, every fourth Sunday.  
Mass at 10 a. m. Priest in charge,  
Rev. Father W. Cortenraad, address  
Hagan P. O., phone Y11.

How Cleveland Won

President Cleveland, while talking to  
a friend about one of his many angling  
expeditions, told the following story:

"It is remarkable," said the presid-  
ent, "how mean some people are. I had  
with me on that particular trip two  
countrymen who evidently were famil-  
iar with my reputation as an angler.  
Before starting one of them made the  
following suggestion: 'Mr. President,'  
said he, 'we will agree that the first  
one that catches a fish must treat the  
the crowd.'"

"I assented to this, and we started.  
Now, don't you know, those two fellows  
both had a bite and were too mean to  
pull them up."

"I suppose you lost, then," remarked  
the friend.

"Oh, no!" replied the president. "I  
didn't have any bait on my hook."

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## A SENSIBLE VIEW OF THE CANADIAN NAVAL QUESTION

Mr. Arthur Hawkes Writes an Open Letter to the Premier of Canada.

Mr. Arthur Hawkes, editor of the Canadian and British News, who took a prominent stand with the Borden forces at the time of the reciprocity campaign, has addressed the following letter to the Premier:

March 8, 1913.

Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, Ottawa, Ont.:  
Dear Mr. Borden,—I am sure you will not be sorry to have an enquiry regarding Canadian defence from one who worked in the last general election without reference to what may have been said as to submitting any aspect of that question to popular vote.

In joining these memorialists who desired to remove the whole matter from the dangers of partisan politics I hoped it would be understood that, whatever might be determined as to an emergent contribution the only solution of the question from the point of view of Canadian nationality as an increasing power within the British Empire (which was the whole inspiration of any aid I was able to render you in 1911) is worthily to implement the resolution of the House of Commons of 1909, which I have always believed to be the character of Canada's naval development; a final reversal of which would be a declaration to the Empire and the world that a course taken by parliament in a vital matter of national evolution need not be regarded as conclusive evidence that Canada is bigger than the partisanship that too often bedevils her politics.

Guidance Asked For.

As an elector who desires only to render such service as he may to Canada, will you allow me to ask for guidance on a point which, though it does not appear to have been thrown into strong relief in the parliamentary discussions, may govern one's attitude in the epochal controversy which seems likely soon to emerge from the clouds at Ottawa.

I have always regarded the question of an emergent contribution as incidental, with this contingent responsibility attaching to it the greater the necessity for declaring once and for all, whether we will meet recurring emergencies in the same way we propose to effect the first, and so reverse the position so clearly set forth in 1909, or whether we recognize such a permanent change in the situation of the United Kingdom and such a growth of Canadian nationality in relation thereto, as to make it imperative that we immediately develop a Canadian navy, as Australia is doing, as the most effective form of Imperial co-operation it is possible to undertake.

Fight on in Earnest

If the Imperial situation is what you believe it to be, nothing seems clearer than that, psychologically, the fight is on, as truly as it would be if you were on the quarter-deck of a Dreadnought with the smoke of a hostile fleet thickening on the horizon. That involves, as it seems to me whose devotion to Britanic interests will I think, scarcely be questioned, and whose desire to see your Government succeed has been rooted in a certain recognizable responsibility for its advent to power, a speedy declaration as to whether the government does or does not stand by the principle of a Canadian navy as a permanent policy in sympathy with the memorial to which I have alluded.

What is Permanent Policy?

In view of all the facts, therefore, I venture to ask whether we may learn at once what the basic principle of its permanent policy is to be. Belief in a serious emergency or need, as illustrated by the concentration of British ships in the North Sea, seems to me to necessitate an unmistakable declaration on this point of traditional British statesmanship, in the face of crisis, is to be vindicated. I am well aware, of course, that it has been stated that the country must wait for guidance as to your permanent policy. Well, in the ordinary course, the next general election impends. May I beg you to say whether it is to be understood that the position of the government is that it has no definite guidance to give the country in the meantime?

As there are indications that various

people regard my relation to naval defence with some interest I need not say that this correspondence is quite open.

Yours very sincerely,  
(Signed) ARTHUR HAWKES.

### Sidney Public Hall

To the Editor,

Sir—The writer begs space to draw the attention of the public to the condition of the Hall in Sidney used for public purposes. In the opinion of the writer it is a death trap in case a fire or an alarm of fire were to occur. The one entrance and only exit is up and down a flight of stairs, which are worse than a ladder and on the occasion I was present no light was placed to show a way to them. I noticed also that a door in the front of the hall which may be of some use in an emergency, is actually barred and bolted on the outside and can only be opened by procuring a ladder and wrench which of course would be ridiculous. The main doors also open inwards.

Now Mr. Editor surely some regulations are provided applying to unorganized districts for the safety of the lives of the inhabitants and if so why are they not enforced? and if there are no regulations is it not a further argument if any were needed in favor of the people conducting their own affairs. No municipal body would dare take the chances in permitting such a state of affairs as this.

"YENDIS"

### ENGLISH SONG BIRDS ARE TRANSPORTED TO PROVINCE

A Few of the Feathered Songsters Die on Way Out, Balance Being Cared for in Greenhouses.

The consignment of English song birds imported by the Natural History Society reached Victoria on March 27. Some two hundred of the little travellers succumbed to the hardships of the voyage, but the rest, which were temporarily located in Fleuwin's greenhouses, were doing well and we may soon hope to hear the charming song of the sky lark from far aloft, and the cheery little robin may bring back to many of us memories of old time Christmases in the old country.

The English songbirds which the Natural History Society has imported have had the greatest care given to them on the Montcalm, the steamer in which they crossed the Atlantic. They left Liverpool on the Canadian Pacific steamer Montcalm on March 5, in charge of capable men, one of the attendants being an expert whistler, travelling with the birds to keep them in song. They have now crossed the continent.

S. Shackleton & Co., of Leadenhall Market, who were entrusted with the order, collected the birds from all parts of England and Wales, and the greater portion of them were housed since October in the kennels, converted into aviaries, in the rear of Mr. Shackleton's premises in Bermondsey. The collection will be composed approximately as follows: 17 to 18 dozen larks, 10 to 12 dozen linnets, 6 dozen goldfinches, 100 robins and 3 dozen blue tits.

During the long journey the birds were housed in wooden cages fronted with wire netting of a fine mesh, and in the case of the blue tits with wire gauze.

The food consisted of 2 cwt. of "soft-bill" food a mixture of egg, bread-crumbs, etc., for the larks and robins.

Twenty-eight pounds of monkey-nuts for the blue tits.

Half a cwt. of seed mixture (including thistle seed) for the goldfinches.

A special small sack of seed mixture for the linnets.

Seven pounds of meal-worms for blue tits and robins.

There was also shipped 1 cwt. of sand for the cages and 1 cwt. of grit to aid digestion.

Chatting about the food, Mr. Shackleton told a London Star man prior to departure that half the battle was studying the diet of the 500 venturers.

"For instance," he said, "very few people know that a lark in eating seed

bolts it whole without cracking the shell. At first I kept these 500 in large aviaries, and when I got them to "take the food" they were shifted to smaller cages.

"It would be impossible for them to be in better health than they are now. Here is a certificate from Mr. H. H. Whitlaw-Smith, veterinary surgeon, who certifies them to be free from any signs of infectious or contagious diseases."

Miss Berquist has gone to Vancouver for a month's holiday.

Nora Wasn't Alarmed.

"Nora," said her mistress severely, "If you have that policeman in the kitchen again I shall speak to him."  
"Go as far as you like, Mum," said Nora, "but yez'll never git him. We're to be married next Chuesday."

### Herbert Finch BARBER

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EDITOR.

### A PUBLIC MARKET

The proposal to establish a market in Victoria is again attracting attention. This subject is one of those hardy perennials that is perpetually cropping up and for a good reason. On the one hand there is the city consumer constantly complaining of the high price he has to pay for all farm and garden produce, including fruit, and on the other there is the farmer perpetually bewailing the fact that he only receives the smallest figure for his produce when he knows all the time that the consumer is paying an enormous price for it. Split the difference in half between what the farmer receives and the consumer pays and a price is arrived at, satisfactory to both. In casting about for a solution of the problem both parties fling themselves tooth and nail upon the middle man and between them wound him severely, without waiting to think whether their victim is really the cause of their woes or not. It is not our present intention to enter into this particular phase of the question which involves the guilt or innocence of the middle man. There are probably two or even more sides to that question which require very careful scrutiny before coming to a decision on it, but at present the middle man is a necessity. There is no other way now open through which the producer and the consumer may meet and it is in the hope of finding such a way that the market question presents itself.

The market is not a new idea in Victoria, the necessary building was erected some years ago, and the system was tried and failed. The building is still there and it is hoped that it may still be used for the purpose it was intended and that a great benefit would result to the city consumer and to the rural producer. Such a market is one of the oldest institutions in vogue among civilized people. Go back in history as far as you like and the market place is the center of life, and in many places it still continues to be so. Why therefore can it not be used to advantage in Victoria? That is the question now open for solution, and it is to be hoped that a favorable solution may be found. To this end we shall be glad to hear from our readers, among whom are many interested parties, particularly in the producer class. Our columns will always be open to them for the expression of their views and possibly they may be able to shed some new light on this problem which may lead to a solution.

A market depends for success mainly on two factors. One is a constant and complete supply of produce, and the other is a sufficient number of consumers to buy that produce. The question is are these two factors present in the conditions as they exist in Victoria?

There are a good many other points to be considered in this connection and we purpose to deal with them in a future issue. But we desire now to bring this question prominently before the public and particularly before that portion of the public of which the population of Saanich largely consists and that is the producers.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

We print in another column a letter from a correspondent upon a very important subject, viz. the condition of our public hall with regard to the security of the audiences therein assembled in case of an alarm of fire. There is no need of any alarm on this point, but at the same time there are certain minor matters of constructive detail in the building which certainly want to be attended to, and we feel certain that the notice of the proprietor of the hall in question has only to be drawn to the matter to ensure an instant remedy. The hall is now being constantly used for all sorts of purposes

and large audiences, containing many women and children, are constantly attending there, and it is absolutely necessary that all precautions to avoid any possible accident should be taken.

Some experiments made in Massachusetts on the usefulness of birds as insect destroyers are reported in the Oologist. In an old neglected orchard the presence of birds in the winter, such as chickadees, nuthatches, woodpeckers and creepers, was encouraged by the distribution of food, and as a result it was found that the birds did not leave the district as usual when the snow fell, but remained and destroyed large numbers of canker-worm eggs and those of other injurious insects. Other trees in the neighborhood were largely infested with pests, but in the spring this old orchard was free of them, and with one exception was the only orchard in the neighborhood to produce fruit, and the exception was quite close to it.

Two extraordinary incidents are reported in this week's daily press. The first is about a parson in the Crow's Nest Pass district being chased by a panther, and the second is still more extraordinary. It relates that a man named Spence living on Graham Island was attacked by a sea lion and escaped from the savage animal by getting into a buggy and driving off. In view of the almost complete helplessness of these animals on land and the fact that they are not carnivorous the episode is hard to believe.

There are many complaints about the service given to the public in British Columbia by the post office. An instance of this bad service is afforded by a letter which was delivered here in Sidney on Monday, March 31, and which was mailed in Victoria, as shown by the post mark, on March 21, thus taking ten days to travel the eighteen miles, or not quite two miles a day.

While our representatives at Ottawa are quarrelling over the question of presenting ships to Great Britain, the good people of Calgary are taking matters into their own hands and are subscribing to a fund to buy an air ship and present it to the Old Country.

Engineers just returned from Nelson on Hudson's Bay report that with the exception of a little ice along the edges the river is open all the winter on account of the action of the tides.

When the siege of Adrianople came to an end large numbers of people were found to be destitute and on the verge of starvation.

Reform of the House of Lords appears to be imminent, both political parties being practically agreed on the subject.

J. Pierpoint Morgan, the Great American financier, is dead at Rome.

### No Wonder She Got Mixed

A girl asked her father, "Pa, where were you born?"  
"In Boston, my dear."  
"And where was Mamma born?"  
"In San Francisco, my dear."  
"And where was I born?"  
"In Philadelphia, my dear."  
"Well, isn't it funny how we three people got together?"

### 1st Sidney Troop C. B. S.

Troop orders, by Scoutmaster MacArthur, March 24th, 1913.—

**PATROLS** The following are appointed to patrols as follows.—No 4 R. Hicks, to Ram Patrol. Leader W. Anderson to Raven Patrol.

**ENROLMENT** The following scouts having been attested by the Provincial Commissioner are taken on the strength from this date. **RAVENS**—No 1, R. E. MacClure, No 2, E. W. MacClure, No 10, Wm. MacKillican. **RAMS**—No 5, A. Bowman, No 6, G. Anderson, No 7, F. Kelly, No 8, W. North, No 9, W. Veitch. **PROMOTION** No 8, W. North, to be second in charge of Ram Patrol, No 1, R. E. MacClure to be second. **APPOINTMENT** R. Hicks to be Adjutant April—June.

R. Hicks, Adjutant.

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## LOCAL NEWS

Miss Nora Norris spent a few days in Victoria with her sister Mrs. Fred Burr.

Mr. J. B. Kelly went to Vancouver on business last week and returned to Sidney on Tuesday.

R. G. R. MacKenzie, barrister, has moved his office from 1st Street to Beacon Avenue near the Post Office.

On Sunday next at 10 a.m. a partial eclipse of the sun will take place and it will be visible from Sidney if the sky is clear.

Mrs. Donovan, Miss Ollie Norris, Miss Eileen Elliot and Mr. Jack Roberts motored to Victoria on Saturday to see the championship hockey match.

On Friday last an advertisement was inserted in the Review calling for a teacher for the new school at Deep Cove. On Tuesday an applicant presented herself and being duly qualified was accepted. This is a good instance of the value of advertising in general and of the Review as a medium in particular.

The Board of Trade is not content with talking but is taking practical measures to ensure the health of the community. Under the directions of Mr. Hannan lime is being spread in all those places where the carelessness of individuals renders the ditches and water-courses dangerous to our health.

A pleasant surprise party was given by Mrs. Donovan at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Converse on Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Converse' birthday. The evening passed most pleasantly and all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Late in the evening a dainty luncheon was served. Among those present were Mrs. Donovan, Mrs. Tetz, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kemper and daughter Bernice, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kemper, Miss Eileen Elliot, Miss Ollie Norris, Mr. Albert Gehrke and Mr. Jack Roberts.

Many old timers will learn with regret that Capt. Walbran died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria, on Monday last. Captain Walbran was well known all up and down the coast of British Columbia as commander of the S.S. Quadra. Lately he has held a position on shore in the Dominion Marine Department. He has left a useful memorial behind him in the shape of his book entitled 'Place Names of British Columbia' a work which conveys much useful and interesting information and called for much research on the part of the author.

The new works at the sawmill are rapidly approaching completion and in about three weeks the plant may be expected to be in operation. The chief factor in the success of a sawmill is the facility with which lumber may be handled. It is very interesting to see how in the new works this point is being considered. Lumber for the planers to be converted into flooring, ceiling and other finished product is passed into the dry kilns on huge tram cars and after being dried it passes on to another car which delivers it at any required machine. The shavings and refuse of the planers is handled through a 70 inch Sturtevant Blower which picks it off the machines and forces it through huge pipes right out to the burning heap. The new plant will enable the mill to turn out 80,000 feet of finished lumber in a day.

## Political Equality League

On Tuesday afternoon a meeting was held in Berquist's Hall to hear Miss Dorothy Davis, organizing secretary of the Political Equality League. The chair was taken by Mr. J. J. White who in a few introductory remarks explained his reason for not being averse to give votes to women.

In addressing the meeting Miss Davis emphasised the injustice of the present law especially the Infants Guardianship Act which leaves the care of the children entirely to the father and gives the mother no rights whatever although she is equally responsible financially for its keep. She instanced the unfair treatment meted out to women by relating how at Ottawa when the Post Office Clerks agitated for higher wages, the salaries of all the men were raised, but the women received no increase whatever.

She explained that the main objects for which women will strive when they have the vote are, equal standard of pay for equal work, equal guardianship of children, equal marriage and divorce laws and equal opportunity in the labour market.

After speaking for over an hour during which she never failed to hold the interest of her audience, the chairman read the following resolution.

"That this meeting realizes the urgent need that the woman's point of view should be represented in the control of Legislation and all affairs of the Nation and deplors the injustice to herself and the loss to the State involved in her present political position; and preferring that British Columbia should lead the other provinces of Canada in all matters of progressive reform, rather than follow. It calls upon the Provincial Government to introduce and carry during the coming session a Bill giving the vote to women on the same terms as it is, or may be given to men."

This after being moved by Mr. St. Barbe and seconded by Mr. Simister was carried unanimously. It may be mentioned that this same resolution has been carried at over 40 meetings held in different parts of B. C. and that only 8 votes have been recorded against it.

## Be a Booster.

Do you know there's lots o' people  
Sittin' round in every town,  
Growlin' like a broody chicken,  
Knockin' every good thing down.

Don't you be that kind o' cattle,  
'Cause they ain't no use on earth,  
You just be a booster rooster,  
Crow and boost for all your worth.

If our town needs boostin', boost'er  
Don't hold back and wait to see  
If some other fellow's willin'—  
Sail right in, this country's free.

No one's got a mortgage on it,  
It's just yours as much as his;  
If your town is shy on boosters,  
You get in the boostin' biz.

If things just don't seem to suit you  
And the world seems kinder wrong,  
What's the matter with a boostin'  
Just to help the thing along?

'Cause if things should stop agoin',  
We'd be in a sorry plight;  
You just keep that horn blowin'  
Boost'er up with all your might.

If you know some feller's failin',  
Just forget 'em, 'cause you know  
That same feller's got some good points,  
Them's the one's you want to show.

Cast your leaves out on the waters,  
"They'll come back," 's a saying true,  
"Mebbe, too they'll come back buttered"  
When some feller boosts for you.

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**NOTICE  
Re Shell Islands**

As the undersigned, the owner of "Shell Islands," now resides in Sidney and wishes to use the islands for his own purposes, parties without permission are respectfully requested to keep off the islands.

So long as the privilege is not abused, as it has been in some cases in the past, the owner will be pleased to give permission to the people of Sidney to land on the islands for picnics, etc., ON APPLYING TO HIM.

The owner finds it necessary to give this notice now, as certain parties have in the past defaced the fine Arbutus trees by carving their illustrious names on the trunks thereof, scattering papers, tins and bottles over the islands, robbed the islands of flowers, and otherwise abused these beauty spots. And also to inform newcomers as to the ownership of the islands.

Last summer the owner found that the islands had been staked by some gentleman who had evidently got lost and imagined he was making a discovery.

Trespassing on the islands is forbidden and hereafter action will be taken against those who continue to trespass in defiance of the right of the owner to keep the property private for the use of himself and friends.

**L. Lindsay Adamson,**  
"Sea Point," Sidney

**WARNING.**

Under the British Columbia Statutes it is contrary to the law to remove gravel from a foreshore.

The undersigned will proceed against any person found removing gravel from the foreshore at head of Roberts' Bay in front of Block A, ALLBAY SUBDIVISION (Registered plan No. 1305), or any other lots or streets in the said subdivision.

**R. F. TAYLOR,**  
Owner Allbay Subdivision.  
**A. O. WHEELER,**  
**W. F. U. COPEMAN.**

**LAND ACT.**

Form No. 9.

**Victoria Land District--District  
of North Saanich.**

TAKE NOTICE that the Victoria and Sidney Railway Co. of Victoria, occupation Transportation Company, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described foreshore lands covered at high water.

Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on Bazon Bay and being the northeast corner of section 9, range 4 east, North Saanich; thence running south 53 degrees and 55 minutes east for a distance of 320 feet; thence south 36 degrees and 5 minutes west for a distance of 700 feet; thence north 53 degrees and 55 minutes west for a distance of 340 feet more or less to a post marked S. W. on high water mark; thence bearing north 37 degrees and 30 minutes east, following high water mark for a distance of 700 feet, more or less, to the point of commencement, and containing 5.5 acres.

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Dated 11th day of February, 1913.

**HAS INVENTED  
A NEW BULLET****Pittsburg Man Makes a Sleep  
Producing Missile For  
Burglars.**

To cause the bullet that maims or kills to administer an automatic antidote to the pain that it inflicts, is the ingenious idea of a Pittsburg man. Mercy, however, is not his only, or, indeed, his chief aim. By causing the steel-clad messengers of death to narcotize their victims he hopes to put burglars to sleep when they might otherwise get away; cause wounded big game to abandon the idea of smashing their persecutors just before giving up the ghost, and do other things that will give his device commercial value as well as mere sentimental worth. We learn from an article contributed to The Technical World Magazine (Chicago, March) by William P. Kennedy, that the inventor hopes to have the United States government adopt the bullet for army use. He is trying to get the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to recognize its merits, and then induce sportsmen to adopt it. He later will give the police chiefs of the country a few boxes to experiment with. Says Mr. Kennedy:

"The new compound, 'the narcotic bullet,' is the invention of Alexander F. Humphrey. Experiments are being conducted by a committee of army officers, police officials, and sportsmen. It is considered alike humane in warfare and deadly in hunting big game. In self-defence, it provides the poor marksman with all the advantages of an unerring aim.

"In his sleep-producing missile, Humphrey uses a minute particle of morphia. The drug is carried in tiny wells in the steel jacket of the regulation army bullet. Humphrey claims that it in no wise interferes with the effectiveness of the missile. The slight indentation in the steel jacket, he says, causes no splintering when it comes in contact with the bone. The wound of the narcotic bullet, according to his theory, does not differ from that caused by the regulation bullets now used in the approved army cartridges. No deleterious effects will follow the unique administration of the drug."

In war it would apparently resemble the shell invented some years ago that was to explode over the advancing enemy, fill the air with laughing-gas or some narcotic, and render whole regiments helpless with mirth or slumber. As we are told:

"The soldier, receiving a slight flesh wound from the new bullet, flinches no more that day; he calmly stretches himself on the ground and goes to sleep. The man receiving a serious wound suffers no agony, as the narcotic from the bullet is absorbed by his system and he is insensible to pain before he reaches the hospital. The man whose wound is mortal sleeps away his last hours, thus doing away with most of the battlefield horror. The fleeing burglar is shot in the arm, runs forward a short distance, stretches himself on the sidewalk, and all the policeman has to do is summon an ambulance and haul him away. The big game hunters, Humphrey says, will feel no fear of a counterstroke from a wounded tiger, lion, or grizzly bear. Although the bullet may make but a slight wound, the game is as good as bagged, once it is struck."—Literary Digest.

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**PROVINCIAL  
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NOTICE is hereby given that the list of voters for the Islands Electoral District has been cancelled, and that applications to be placed on the voters' list will be received at my office at Sidney, where printed forms of affidavit to be used in support of an application to vote will be supplied. The list of persons claiming to vote will be suspended from and after the 7th (seventh) day of April, 1913, and a Court of Revision will be held on the 19th (nineteenth) day of May, and notice of objections to the insertion of any name on the register of voters must be given to me thirty clear days before the holding of the Court of Revision.

**WILLIAM WHITING,**  
Registrar of Voters for the Islands  
Electoral District.  
Dated this 4th day of March, 1913.

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to section 3 of the "Municipalities Incorporation Act" the owners of the land within the following described limits, to wit:

Commencing at the southeast corner of section seven (7) north, range three (3) east, at a point where the southern boundary of said section intersects with the shore line of Bazon Bay; thence westerly along the said southern boundary of said section seven (7) to the intersection of the southern boundary of section seven (7) north, range two (2) east and the East Saanich road; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of the said East Saanich road to the northwest corner of section fifteen (15) north, range three (3) east; thence easterly along the northern boundary of said section fifteen (15) to the shore line of Shoal Harbour; thence easterly and northerly along and following the shore line of Shoal Harbour to Armstrong Point; thence southwesterly southerly and northeasterly along and following the shore line of Roberts Bay to Pleasant Point; thence southerly and southeasterly along and following the shore lines of Sidney Channel and Bazon Bay to the point of commencement, intend, one month after the date hereof to present to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council a petition asking for the incorporation of the said lands as a City Municipality under the corporate name of "The Corporation of the City of Sidney."

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## SALT SPRING ISLAND AND THE SPORTS AND PLEASURES THERE

Although certain sections of the fine island of Salt Spring have been reserved from time to time in this department there has never been a description of the island as a whole. Salt Spring is one of the foremost islands of the Gulf and one that will play a large part in the development of the west-coast portions of the great province of British Columbia. Therefore, it is that readers of this department who are strangers to British Columbia's island possessions should know something of it.

Salt Spring Island is about seven miles long by ten miles in the widest section. The population numbers approximately 1,000 at present. The island lies midway between Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo, and is in close proximity to such cities and towns as Sidney, Ladysmith, Crofton and Chemainus. The largest settlement is around Ganges Harbor, a beautiful harbor, more than eight miles in length and easily navigable by any of the coasting steamers, as there is deep water right up to the wharf. At Ganges there are two large general stores, the post office, a blacksmith's shop, bakery, co-operative creamery, etc., and a large tourist hotel is to be erected this spring.

The residents about Ganges Harbor are for the most part retired Old Country people of an excellent class, and they have among them some really beautiful homes. The district is particularly suited to fine summer residence and lately the demand for small acreage has been very keen, with a large number of sales of pieces of from three to twenty acres each at prices ranging up to \$300 per acre. Mixed farming of a general character is carried on, together with dairying, and

sheep, cattle, horses, hogs and poultry do well, while considerable excellent fruit is grown. Dairying is, perhaps, the most important industry, although the poultry industry in recent years has attained to large proportions and the fruit grown on the island is noted for its excellence. A conservative estimate places 20,000 boxes of apples as the annual shipment of that fruit alone from the island.

The chief sports indulged in on Salt Spring are cricket, tennis, football, grass or field hockey, shooting, fishing and water sports of every character. Many very fine launches are owned by residents and indeed the waters adjacent to the main island offer one of the most attractive opportunities for boating to be found in the world. The shooting consists mainly of pheasants, blue and willow grouse, snipe, quail, deer and duck of all kinds. There are nine different lakes, one of them three miles in length, where excellent trout fishing may be obtained. Panthers or poisonous snakes are unknown. There are, at present, about 100 miles of road on the island.

Ganges has, now, a private school conducted by an English university man with a boarding house in connection conducted by an English lady. The transportation service between the island and other points is good now and is being improved right along. The C. P. R. steamer Joan runs from Victoria to Ganges wharf four times each week, besides making one trip each from Vancouver and Nanaimo. The Dominion Express Company has an office at Ganges and there is a long distance telephone station. There are three Anglican, two Methodist and one Roman Catholic churches at Ganges.—Saturday Sunset.

### The Grain Commission.

Dr. R. McGill, Mr. W. D. Staples and Mr. J. P. Jones, the members of the grain commission which sat in the city yesterday, paid a visit to the outer wharf and the scene of the breakwater construction in the afternoon of Monday last, with a view to obtaining at first hand a definite idea of work going on here pending the advent of increased traffic. Mr. J. J. Shallcross, president of the board of trade, accompanied the party.

Dr. McGill said he was greatly impressed and vouchsafed that much to Mr. Shallcross. He also made a cursory examination of the foreshore at Ogden's Point relative to the possible erection of an elevator, and, while he was not in a position to make any statement as to the actual potentialities of that location for the purpose in view, he indicated what the requirements would be. He said that a frontage of at least 600 feet and a water depth of 1000 feet would be necessary.

Mr. Shallcross is of the opinion that these requirements could easily be complied with, and it is understood that a movement will be set on foot immediately with a view to obtaining exact information on the subject.

The president of the board of trade expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the reception of the city's claims at the hands of the grain commissioners.

"They are undoubtedly impressed," he said, "with what we were able to show them in regard to Victoria as a shipping point, and what we have to concentrate upon now is the improvement of Victoria as a port for the assembling of goods as well as for the shipment of them."

Dr. McGill intends to pay a visit to Alberni before leaving the Island, and the two other members of the commission, Messrs. Staples and Jones, will visit New Westminster.

## DUTCH WOMEN WILL HOLD EXHIBITION AT AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, March 24.—A number of Dutch women, who were of opinion that in Amsterdam, the capital of Holland, a special exhibition ought to be held to show the evolution of the social and intellectual position of women since 1813, have organized an exhibition officially from May till October, and will show a comparison between the life and social position of women in 1813 and 1913.

One part of the exhibition will show a middle-class house of a hundred years ago, with all its accessories, with the enormous kitchen, where all the cooking for the house was done and the provisions of the house made and kept. This part of the exhibition will also show what accomplishments women of a hundred years ago possessed in art, music, literature, sports, etc.; what was their special work among the poor and sick and as guardians of almshouses, orphanages, etc.

To give an idea of the women of the working class, in the country as well as in the town, the home industries will be shown, and how women were overworked as seamstresses and as diamond-workers, and how some women trudged in a treadmill like horses.

Women's other professions, those of shop girls, servants, school mistresses, midwives, etc., will also lend their gay or sad note to the whole.

Next to the exhibition building for 1813, another for 1913 will be erected. This will be much more extensive. It will show how woman's field of work outside the house has grown, and how much of her work in the house has been taken away by all the new inventions of machinery. Women architects will demonstrate by different model houses how the factor of hygiene has become

important in all classes. Then the exhibition will also demonstrate how the state intervenes now by laws into family life and also in the life of women workers, and how, consequently, women risk the same political rights as men. One room will be set apart for woman suffrage. Furthermore, the work of women as writers, artists, teachers, sick nurses, etc., will be shown.

The colonial department promises to be of special interest. The extent and the dense population of the Dutch East Indies is hardly sufficiently appreciated in the West. This section will, among other things, show the work done by white women among the natives and as missionaries. The native women are asking for better education and more culture; it will be interesting to see what is going to be done towards gratifying their wishes.

Part of the grounds of the exhibition will be reserved for sports and open-air games for women and young girls. The site of the exhibition is on the boards of the Amstel; the 1813 part of the exhibition will be held in an existing old house, surrounded by lovely old trees, and a garden in the style of that time.

During May the exhibition will be visited by representatives of the International Council of Women, under the presidency of Lady Aberdeen. Cinematograph representations will illustrate many fields of work which could otherwise not be shown in the exhibition.

A country school-teacher was cashing her monthly check at the bank. The teller apologized for the filthy condition of the bills, saying "I hope you're not afraid of microbes." Not a bit of it," the school-teacher replied, "I'm sure no microbe could live on my salary!"

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## The British Columbia Old Country Public School Boys' Association

Saanich and the Islands of the Gulf afford a field of activity very suitable to the young Englishman. Here, if he has a little capital, he may make a home for himself and make his living out of farming in all its branches. He may raise cattle or horses, pigs or poultry, grain or vegetables. Or if he lacks capital he may find opportunities of working for others in most congenial surroundings. Here both classes will find plenty of their fellows and lead lives and mix in a society not entirely dissimilar to the one in which they were brought up.

Naturally among these men are many educated at the great public schools of England. There are so many of these that they have formed a society in Victoria with the rather clumsy title of the British Columbia Old Country Public

School Boys Association, of which A. R. Sherwood is the secretary.

The great value of this association is to enable newcomers to obtain reliable information about the local conditions, and it is a means of keeping all old country public school boys in touch with each other. An annual dinner is held in Victoria, not confined to members of the association, but open to all who hail from a recognized public school, and it is interesting to see the reunions and meetings that take place at these gatherings. Old grey-headed pioneers are seen getting the latest news about Harrow or Rugby or a dozen other schools from bright faced, clean cut youths who left their class rooms perhaps only a few months ago.

The institution is a valuable one and deserves the support of all men of the class to which it specially appeals.

## Railway Men Have Many Stories to Tell of Adventures Met on the Road

Railwaymen tell many strange stories of their footboard experiences, but an incident described and vouched for by Driver George Beck and Fireman Evard C. Nicol, two C. P. R. employees running out of Revelstoke, ranks among the most curious that have befallen railroaders of this province in many a day. The engineer and fireman named, on engine 1848, pulling Extra West one morning recently, saw on the track ahead of them a coyote keeping ahead. The engineer whistled up, and as the animal refused to swerve from the track, pulled open the throttle and commenced to gain on it rapidly. The fireman crept out through the left cab

window, walked along the running board and out on to the pilot. The engine was now almost touching the frightened coyote, and the fireman, holding on to the operating lever with one hand, leaned over and grasped the fleeing animal by the tail. Half mad-dened, it continued racing, and in a few minutes the fireman swung it up off the ground and dashed its brains out on the cylinder head. When the train arrived at Revelstoke the remains of the coyote were handed to Mr. Laughton, of the Windsor hotel, who had it on exhibition there for some days, to the wonder of the curious.—Colonist.

## PROVINCIAL SECRETARY INVESTIGATES GOLD STRIKE

A New Trail From Atlin to the Teslin Country Will Be Recommended By Dr. Young.

Skagway, Alaska, March 24.—Dr. Henry Esson Young, Provincial Secretary for British Columbia, who has been investigating the new gold discovery in Northern British Columbia, has arrived here from Atlin with no opinion to express concerning the new diggings.

The men sent by Dr. Young to Teslin have not yet returned. If their reports are favorable, Dr. Young will recommend to Premier McBride that \$25,000 be expended on the trail from Atlin to the Teslin country.

Silver Creek, where many claims have been staked, is reached by a new trail by way of the O'Donnell River, the distance from Atlin being only ninety miles. A good strike was made on the O'Donnell recently, the Provincial Secretary says. Dr. Young called for Victoria to-night.

Skagway, Alaska, March 24.—The first authentic information concerning the gold strike reported by the Indian, Skookum Jim, in the Teslin district, in Northern British Columbia, was received yesterday in a message from Atlin, saying that J. I. Owens had reached there with several hundred dollars worth of washed gold he had taken from the new digging. Owens says prospects are excellent and the trail is easy, but he will not tell the name of the creek on which he found his gold. Owens came out to Atlin for supplies, and will return to the Teslin country in a few days.

Skookum Jim, who is piloting a large party of prospectors from Skagway, waited at Caribou Crossing, V. T., for a party of mushers from the Klondike. The Klondikers joined the party on Thursday and the push to the Teslin discovery was resumed.

## Sidney Board of Trade

The regular meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Tuesday, April 8th in Berquist's Hall, at 8 p.m.

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